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Hi Everyone on the SAMCETT (super awesome mid-coast EPA TMDL team) - here are notes from the last meeting. Our next call is on Thursday, February 16 from 2-3pm, call-in number 206-553-4602. We'll play these calls by ear - we don't need to take the full hour. If there are specific topics that you want to cover in future meetings, or there's something important for Dave to tell us or for us to let him know about, please let me or the group know.

1/26/12 Mid-Coast Meeting Notes

No action items

Things to look out for

- *Effects of potential change to ODF Rules on 1) ODEQ staffing; and 2) on CZARA - TMDL linkage
- *TMDL Implementation -
 - Use of existing forest and ag plans (SB1010) to address implementation-ready requirements vs. something more rigorous in addition to what's already required
 - Timing and type of BMPs - when will things be done and will they be sufficient to meet WQS?

Highlights

- *Dave Powers gave an update on potential changes to the ODF forest rules related to RIPSTREAM analysis that EPA funded. Preliminary analysis appear to indicate that current ODF forest practices may result in not meeting cold water criteria for 44% of streams. Rules may focus on changing practices on medium and small fish-bearing streams. Nina is hopeful but concerned about the timing. (+) if rules change, would be a more permanent solution and take political pressure off TMDL program and meet CZARA lawsuit; (-) rule change negotiation and process will likely be long; unclear if and what changes will happen in time for CZARA lawsuit compliance
- *ODEQ making good progress on defining scope and proposing approaches on sed TMDL.
- *Kick-off meeting on March 20 for committees. Helen will be on tech group. Alan, on policy (?).

Sediment TMDL - Helen

- *Updated plan on sediment TMDL - white spreadsheet by Ryan Michie
- *Separate white paper on sediment and landslide-prone areas by Joshua Seeds
- *Roads and landslides - developed draft targets and process for evaluating scope of roads and landslides to be addressed
- *Bank conditions - problem in the Siletz
- *Roads - types of BMPs - in negotiations with ODF
- *By Feb. 15, Zach and Gene are to decide on whether to use the biocriteria as a measure for sediment impairment. Data and analysis already complete to use biocriteria for sed impairment.

Temp TMDL - Helen

- *In development with ODF; farther along than temperature TMDL because scope and targets are defined;

Bacteria TMDL - Jenny/Alan

- *Peter L's started load duration curves; working with Kevin to develop curves.
- *Helen, Jenny, and Jayne working with Kevin on HSPF modeling contract for Big Elk Creek.

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